Regular Meeting Minutes

Tiverton Recycling/landfill Committee

Thursday January 31, 2013

Town Hall, 343 Highland Road

Members present: Steve Berlucchi, Steven Rys, Deborah Dupont, Richard Guimond, Jay Lambert,

Public: Joe Sousa,

- Approved minutes for 10/4 /12 meeting.
- Committee overwhelmingly supports adding Schwartz ace hardware to vendor bag program.
 Despite being located in Fall River, Schwartz targets Tiverton residents for its customers as well as being owned by a Tiverton Resident. Committee was informed that Hess gas at Tiverton Bliss four corners is once again a bag vendor.
- Committee was seeking options for use of RIRRC profit sharing money. S. Berlucchi suggested possibly purchasing two large roll off/dumpsters to replace storage boxes the town presently rents to store mattresses and tires. The roll offs would eliminate having to physically handle the high volume of mattresses and other recycleables. The town would likely rent trucks to haul materials to area recycling vendors. The cost would be estimated at \$4,000 per roll off. This would make for more efficient use of man hours at the landfill as well DPW personnel. These roll offs will last a long time and be the beginning of developing our post landfill recycling center. Three voting members of committee Dupont, Guimond, and Rys voted to support forwarding to council for approval to purchase roll offs.
- Landfill closure is approximately 5m dollars and the PAYT net income for year 2011 was 480,000
- Joe Sousa suggested town think about compacting the top of landfill to add more area for trash.
- Discussion on free trash week led to many responses that exposed many instances where residents took advantage and placed large amounts of trash out for two weeks. Committee recommendation for next year will be to allow only two large contractor size bags for free disposal over one full collection week.
- R Guimond informed committee about website let talk trash.com that conservation committee member maintains

Minutes prepared by Steven P Rys